

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

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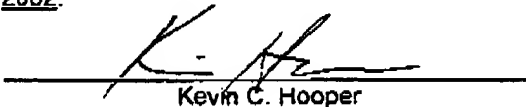
Please cancel claims 7-9, without prejudice.

REMARKS

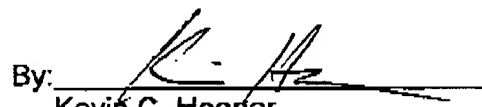
As agreed in the telephone conversation with the Examiner on October 2, 2002, claims 7-9 have been cancelled, without prejudice. We look forward to receiving an Advisory Action by return facsimile ((212) 692-1900) indicating that this amendment has been entered.

It is submitted that no new matter has been introduced by the foregoing amendment. Approval and entry of the amendment is respectfully solicited.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted to the U.S. Patent Office via facsimile transmission and addressed to the Attn. Examiner Yong Pak, Commissioner For Patents, Washington D.C. 20231 on October 2, 2002.


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